

GOOD NEIGHBOUR AGREEMENT

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council is committed to tackling anti-social behaviour, but to do so we need your support. We will ask for your commitment and positively engagement to resolve disputes

What you have agreed to do. to be a good neighbour?

All parties to this agreement have agreed to abide by the law and by any tenancy conditions that they have (this includes private residents). In addition to this, the parties to this agreement have committed to the following:

Delete or add conditions as appropriate

- Respect for all residents and their property, fairness in dealing with everyone, irrespective of their religion, race, ability, culture or political belief.
- Residents should not impose their own decisions on to other residents. Any decisions made relating to your neighbourhood will be from your local Neighbourhood Office only.
- All residents to park their vehicles outside their properties and not to park in a manner that will cause an obstruction to gain access or whilst leaving their property on a daily basis. This includes parking too close to other vehicles leaving an acceptable gap being able to manoeuvre out of a space without causing any damage to anyone's' vehicle.
- All residents (**including children**) will avoid the use of certain words and phrases or intimidate which you accept are offensive and unhelpful to good neighbour relations. This includes use of **derogatory** comments made against another person.
- Care for the elderly, the lonely, and the vulnerable in the community.
- Accept that everyone is different and be tolerant of the lifestyles of others, particularly with regard to noise levels.
- Be responsible for the behaviour of your children and anyone visiting your home.
- Must not shout over from balconies and respect other residents living around you.
- Respect the rights of children and young people to play and meet in a safe and happy environment.
- Children must not play ball games in areas that have "No Ball Games" sign erected.
- Residents are respectful of the environment in which they live through upkeep of a clean and tidy neighbourhood, free from antisocial behaviour.
- Communal areas are for all residents to share and utilize appropriately.
- Recognition that a good community spirit benefits all through healthy inter-action and mutual support in dealing with local problems.
- Dog owners must at all times exercise their dogs on leads, clean up any excrement immediately and dispose of in the correct bins.
- If any problem arises, every resident has the right to approach any constituted group set up by the residents, the relevant Housing Office or other statutory body, in order that the problem may be sorted out amicably and to the satisfaction of all concerned.
- Within the above charter, people have a right to choose the extent to which they engage in the community.

I / We have read and agree to all the principles of 'A Good Neighbour' Agreement.

Your agreement with the Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council:

It is acknowledged that each signatory pledges to respect the rights of his/her neighbours in the community and to fully exercise his/her responsibilities within the context of the agreement.

I agree that whilst I am a tenant of the Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council I will do everything I can to be 'a good neighbour' and will not behave in any way which may be considered 'anti-social'.

I understand that if any member of my household, or visitors to my home act in a way which can be considered as being anti-social, Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council will take action for breach of my tenancy agreement which may lead to legal action being taken against me.

Signed **Date.....**

Print Name.....

(Tenant)

Witnessed by **Date**

(On behalf of relevant Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

